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MEMORANDUM FOR: NIO/CT

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Terrorism Threat Warning

1. We believe that State Department's draft Terrorism Threat warning proposal dated 19 October 1984 meets the basic stipulations established at our 15 October 1984 meeting. It has excellent potential to improve threat warning while preserving procedures required in individual agencies and departments.

2. We recommend a change to the Phase I Community coordination portion of the draft. A time limit should be added to ensure that the warning message is not delayed to accommodate coordination problems or institutional procedures at State Department. Follow up messages, refining the original warning, should use a similar mechanism.

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